

## UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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1. This application entitled SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MANAGING PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT is:

- a.      A new application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b).
- b.      A      continuation      divisional or      continuation-in-part application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of prior application Serial No.     /      filed on                     , entitled             .
- c.   x   A new utility application which claims the benefit of provisional application Serial No. 60/256,817, filed on December 19, 2000.

Application elements and other attached papers:

2.   x   Specification (including Claims and Abstract) [Total Pages   39  ]
3.   x   Drawings (   informal /   x   formal) [Total Sheets   33  ]
4.   x   Oath or Declaration
- a.   x   Newly-executed
- b.        Copy from a prior application (37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d))
5.        Incorporation By Reference: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Item 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
6.        This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d)(4).
- a.        ***DELETE*** the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application:
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- b.        The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.

**CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.10**

I hereby certify that this UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL and the documents referred to as attached therein are being deposited on the below date with the United States Postal Service in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" addressed to: Box Patent Application, Commissioner for Patents, United States Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, D.C. 20231 on:

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12. Maintenance of Copendency of Prior Application

☐ A request for extension of time and the appropriate fee have been filed in the pending prior application (or are being filed in the prior application concurrently herewith) to extend the period for response until \_\_\_\_\_.

13. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is attached, along with the following indicated attachments thereto:

a. ☒ Form PTO/SB/08A (1 sheet)

b. ☒ Copies of references cited

14. ☐ Certified copy of priority document(s)

15. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard

16. ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

17. ☐ An Assignment of the invention to \_\_\_\_\_  
having an address of \_\_\_\_\_

a. ☐ is attached.

b. ☐ was recorded on \_\_\_\_\_ at Reel \_\_\_\_\_, Frame \_\_\_\_\_.

c. ☒ Applicant requests that the above assignee information be published with the application.

18. The power of attorney in the prior application is to:

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Name of Attorney of Record

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☐ The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.

☐ The power does not appear in the original papers, but was filed on \_\_\_\_\_.

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